

FOREST PLAN REVISION

INYO NATIONAL FOREST



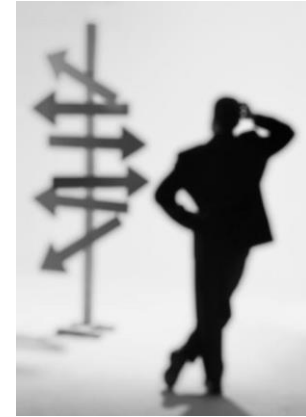
What is a Forest Plan?

- Required for all national forests/grasslands
- Provides broad resource management direction
 - Programmatic, not site-specific
 - Ten to fifteen year planning period
- All uses of the forest need to conform with plan direction

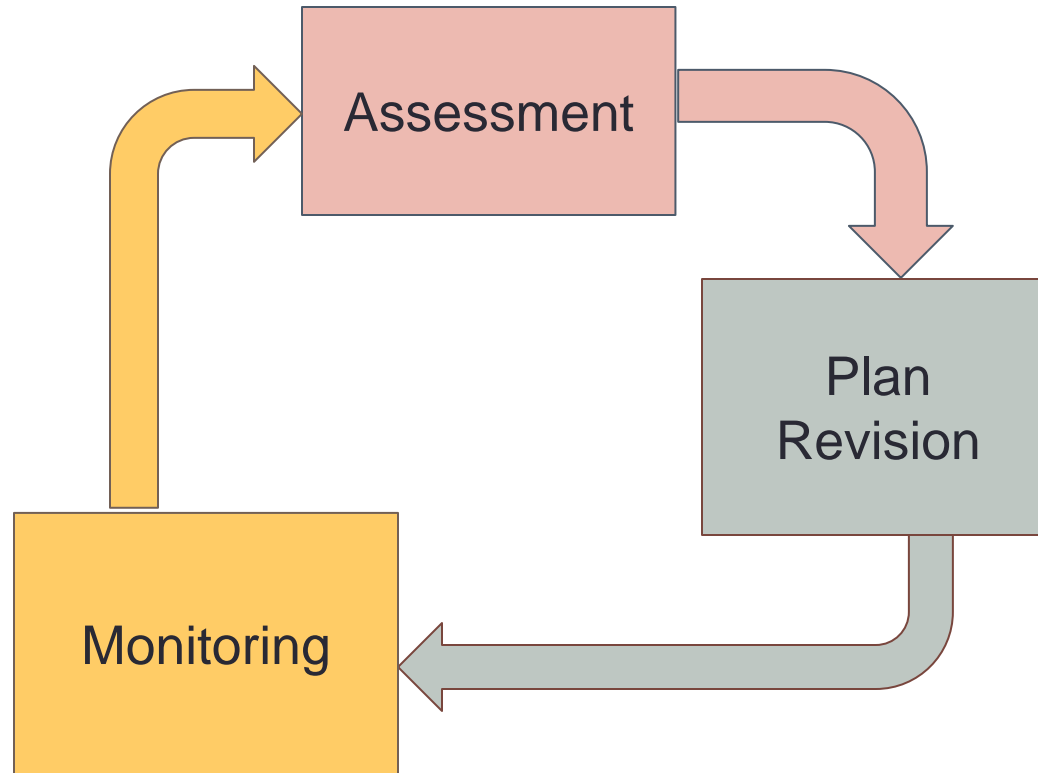


The Inyo's Forest Plan

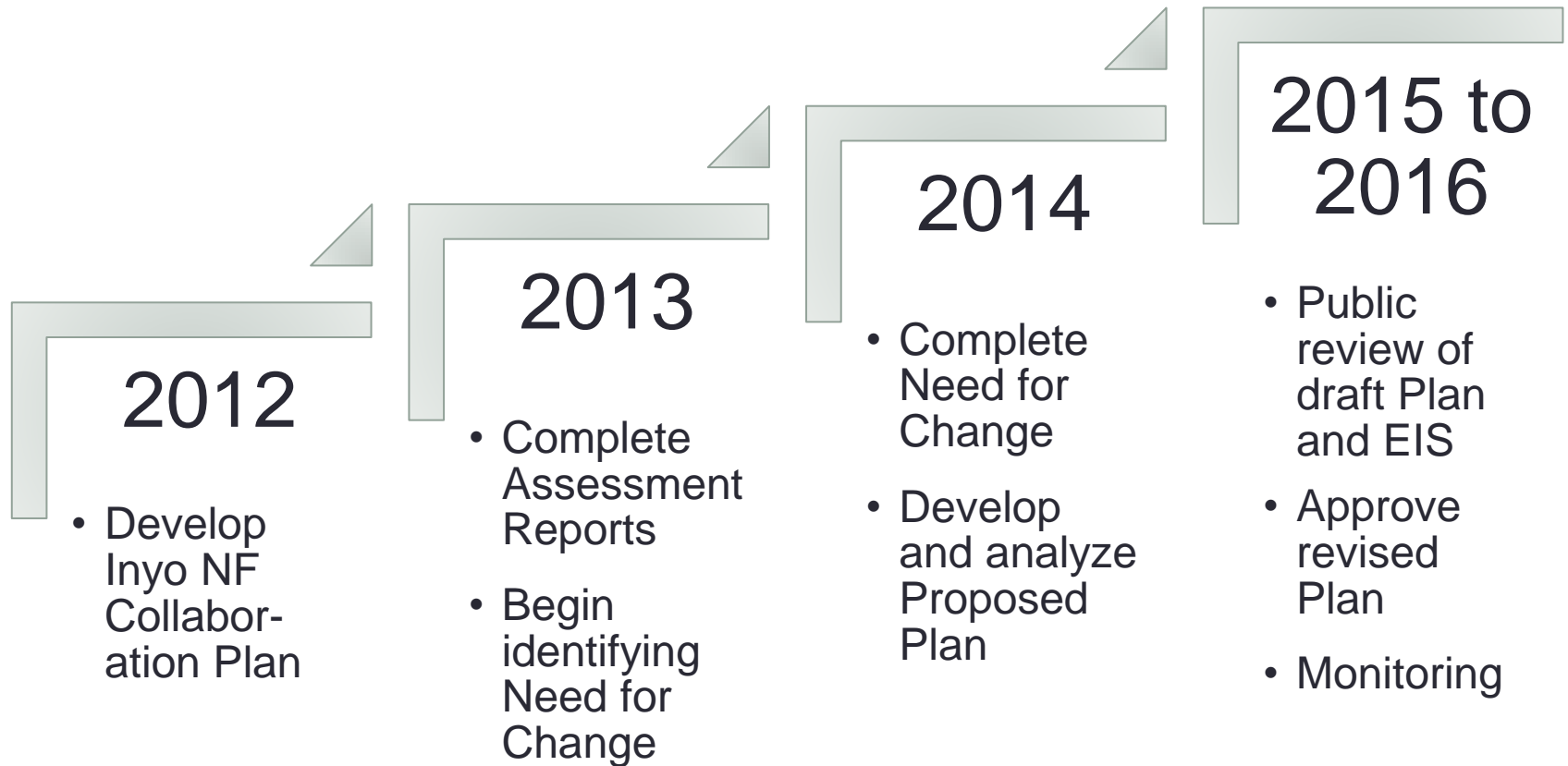
- Completed in 1988; multiple amendments
- Established management direction for forest resources such as wildlife, recreation, and timber
- Delineated geographic management areas and prescriptions



Three Phases to Revise a Forest Plan



Multi-year process



First Phase: Assessment



Social
Conditions



Ecological
Conditions

Economic
Conditions



Inyo NF Assessment Report

- Provides a source of information and context for plan revision
 - Conducted rapidly, using existing information and data
- Resource “topic paper” chapters will form the foundation of the Assessment Report
 - Describe current conditions and expected trends
 - Identify information or knowledge gaps
- Draft Assessment Report available for review in October, finalized in December, 2013

Water Resources & Uses (Ch. 2 & 8)

- Water from the forest provides 25-75% of the supply for Los Angeles, plus local municipal/domestic water supply.
- Water quality is generally good, except for local areas with streamflow diversions and high erosion rates.
- Four water bodies on State 303(d) list of impaired water bodies.
- Altered streamflow is the major stressor for water-related resources.

How to Get Involved

- The papers are available on:
 - The Living Assessment Wiki
(<http://livingassessment.wikispaces.com/>)
 - The Forest website
(<http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/fs-usda-pop.php/?project=40601>).
- A hard copy is available at the Forest Supervisor's Office in Bishop.

How to Get Involved

- **Scheduled Public Meetings**

- Review Draft Inyo NF Assessment Report resulting from topic papers.
- October 22nd - 6:30-8:00pm Mammoth Lakes, CA.
Town Council Chambers.
- October 29th - 6:30 - 8:00pm Bishop, CA
Forest Supervisor's Office
351 Pacu Lane
- October 30th - 6:30 - 8:00pm Webinar
Call 760-873-2561 for instructions
- Please contact Susan Joyce, Forest Planner, at (760) 873-2516 or sejoyce@fs.fed.us for more information.
- WEBSITE: -sign up to be on email list or get more information!
- <http://www.fs.usda.gov/main/inyo/landmanagement/planning>